

Resolution KA-03-02-001**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND MODEL
BOROUGH BY THE STATE OF ALASKA LOCAL BOUNDARY COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the City of Kasaaan is a Second-class City, and

WHEREAS, the City of Kasaaan City Council is the governing body of the City, and

WHEREAS, the City has identified inaccurate and /or outdated information in the Prince of Wales Island Model Borough proposal;

WHEREAS, the City is willing to consider and encourage alternative ways and means to reduce the burden of State of Alaska expenses required to service Prince of Wales Island communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Kasaaan finds that economic data used by the Local Boundary Commission (LBC) in formulating candidacy for a Prince of Wales Island does not reflect the collapse of the commercial fishing industry due to the closure of the Ward Cove Fisheries, as well as the recent filing for bankruptcy by the largest remaining logging concern, Silver Bay Timber; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Kasaaan City Council notes that, as a result of the collapse of mainstay industries on Prince of Wales Island, population estimates in the LBC proposal will necessarily be lower and factor dramatically into the ostensible ability of a reduced population to support the additional taxation to support Borough government; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Kasaaan hereby requests that the State of Alaska Local Boundary Commission indefinitely delay further efforts to create a Borough on Prince of Wales Island; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Kasaaan encourages the State of Alaska to encourage the four organized school districts on Prince of Wales Island to consolidate into one as an alternative measure in reducing State of Alaska expenditures to Prince of Wales Island.

PASSED AND APPROVED

By a duly constituted quorum of the City Council this 6th day of February, 2003.

Mayor

City Clerk


